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REMARKS

In the Office Action, the Examiner indicated that Claims 3 and 4 were objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any claims. By this paper, Applicant respectfully submits that he has amended Claim 1 to include subject matter that was recited in dependent Claim 3. Applicant notes that he has reworked the wording of the dependent claim for better integration with respect to Claim 1.

Applicant respectfully submits that new Claims 9-15 are also directed to patentable subject matter. Claims 9-15 include limitations directed to a first rotating guide and a second rotating guide that are arranged between the first rotor and the stator and between the second rotor and the stator, respectively.

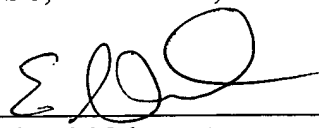
Summary

Applicant has endeavored to address all of the Examiner's concerns as expressed in the outstanding Office Action. Accordingly, amendments to the claims for patentability purposes, the reasons therefore, and arguments in support of the patentability of the pending claim set are presented above. Any claim amendments which are not specifically discussed in the above remarks are not made for patentability purposes, and the claims would satisfy the statutory requirements for patentability without the entry of such amendments. In addition, such amendments do not narrow the scope of the claims. Rather, these amendments have only been made to increase claim readability, to improve grammar, and to reduce the time and effort required of those in the art to clearly understand the scope of the claim language. In light of the above amendments and remarks, reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections is specifically requested. If the Examiner has any questions which may be answered by telephone, he is invited to call the undersigned directly.

Respectfully submitted,

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